GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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PEACE OFFER TO ULFA
Kalmadi Shri Suresh

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether after rejecting the peace talks offer of the Government, the ULFA has tied up with Kamtapur Liberation Organisation (KLO) in North Bengal for an `extortion` drive;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S.REGUPATHY)

(a) & (b): As per reports United Liberation Front of Assam (ULFA) and Kamtapur Liberation Organization (KLO) have been maintaining close links.

(c): The entire State of Assam and its 20 KM Belt with Meghalaya, Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh have been declared as `disturbed area` under Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958. A Unified Hqrs has also been set up in Assam to coordinate the counter insurgency operations of Army and security forces.